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Du Lord Chilfat

I am writing to thank you for your very generous gesture in entertaining Bronheim. I hope that his visit was of some use to your officials. I find his views very stimulating and I think in the long run they will I think he really have some influence on American policy. feels that America should stage a retreat in Latin America, and above all treat it as it would treat any other bloc of countries, abandoning the idea that it has some special responsibility or interest in the area. He was, for instance, particularly interesting about strategic interests in the Caribbean; he does not think the Panama Canal of great importance, and that it would be cheaper and politically more safe for the United States to build up the handling capacity of its western ports. He almost seems to think that the Panama Canal is maintained for the exclusive benefit of Ecuador, Peru and Chile!

I do hope that if you are down here at any time you will not hesitate to propose yourself for luncheon or dinner in the College.

Again many thanks for your kindness.

Pond an Raymond Carr.

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Rt. Hon. the Lord Chalfont, O.B.E., M.C. Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London, S.W.1.



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American Department,

Foreign and Commonwealth Office London S.W.1

20 March, 1970.

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Visit of Mr. Bronheim

Would you please refer to correspondence ending with your letter to Charles Wiggin 68/92 of 5 December (not to others) about the proposal that we should hold a working lunch for David Bronheim, the Director of the Centre for Inter American Relations, New York. Bronheim called on Lord Chalfont on 13 March and was afterwards the guest at a small working luncheon. We found him stimulating.

# U.S. Policy towards Latin America

2. Bronheim felt that the Administration had not yet formed any very clear views on their Latin American policy. They were, of course, under pressure from the Latin Americans, and the President's speech of 31 October was a holding exercise. He thought that any new lines would not become apparent until the new foreign assistance bill was submitted; and this in turn would depend in part on how far the Administration endorsed the recently published Peterson Report on foreign aid.

### Cuba

- 3. Bronheim thought that Cuba at present played comparatively little part in United States thinking on Latin America; and this disinterest appeared to be reciprocated by Castro. But this mutual boredom would not be prolonged for ever. He had recently been visited by an official of the Cuban delegation to the United Nations, who was clearly seeking to use him (Bronheim) as a pipeline to the United States Government. Bronheim had said that he could not oblige. However, in ensuing conversation the Cuban had commented that his government's assumption that foreign trade could be satisfactorily and indefinitely channelled to Western and Eastern Europe was an illusion. Cuba and the United States were natural trading partners and sooner or later this fact of life would assert itself. Cuba was now bound to the Soviet Union by oil. But things might change after delivery of the three tankers now under construction for Cuba in Eastern Europe!
- 4. To a question about the suggestion (most recently from the Chilean Foreign Minister and from Dr. Williams, Prime Minister of Trinidad at the IA\*ECOSOC conference in Caracas) that Cuban ostracism from the Inter-American system should be ended, Bronheim replied that he thought that Latin Americans would be happy to make such noises, so long as they thought that the U.S. was unlikely to respond. If there were signs of a thaw in United States/Cuban

/ relations,

A.J. Williams, Esq., WASHINGTON.

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relations, they might well backpedal. For a start, Peru and Mexico and others were doing well out of their share of the Cuban sugar quota, and anything which could lead to its eventual restoration would be unwelcome to them!

(J.A. Robson)

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Mr. Renwick

# Visit of Mr. Bronheim

I attach a draft letter to Mr. Williams in Washington based on Lord Chalfont's conversation at the F.C.O. with Mr. Bronheim on 13 March, which you may wish to clear with Lord Chalfont.

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(J.A. Robson)
American Department
18 March, 1970.

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Mr. Renwick

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## Mr. David Bronheim

Mr. David Bronheim, Director of the Centre for Inter American Studies, New York, is calling on Lord Chalfont on Friday, 13 March at 12.30 p.m. accompanied by Professor Raymond Carr, Warden of St. Antony's College, Oxford. After a short talk, Lord Chalfont and his visitors will go on to the Hyde Park Hotel for luncheon. A such list is abouted. The original proposal for a call on Lord Chalfont came from Professor Carr; the Embassy in Washington agreed that it would be worth-while. David Bronheim was Deputy U.S. Coordinator of the Alliance for Progress in the State Department/ A.I.D. from 1965-68 with the rank of Deputy Assistant Secretary. He is a lawyer and previously worked as Assistant General Counsel in A.I.D. The Centre for Inter American Relations is supported by Rockefeller funds; it is probably the leading U.S.-Latin American organisation in the United States. Mr. Bronheim is a liberal. He has no particular standing in the present Administration but he is close to Governor Rockefeller, whom he accompanied on his Latin American tour in the second half of last year, and will have had a hand in shaping the Governor's Report, which has the general blessing of the Nixon Administration.

3. Mr. Bronheim's call gives an opportunity to take a reading on current Administration policies towards Latin America.

The guidelines for these are set out in President Nixon's address of 31 October to the Inter American Press Association (Washington telegram No. 2985). It would also be useful to

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seek Mr. Bronheim's views on the Rockefeller Report on Latin America published on 10 November (Washington telegrams Nos. 92 and 93 Saving). So far the Administration does not appear to have developed any particular new policy lines towards Latin America. The field in which the Latin Americans have been pressing the United States most strongly is that of trade preferences. The Administration is committed to seeking the early establishment of a world-wide system of generalised trade preferences for all developing countries. In introducing the Rockefeller Report, President Nixon kes stated that if, however, this cannot be achieved within a reasonable time, the United States would consider alternative action to ensure that the Latin American nations would have preferential access to the U.S. market. The Latin American countries for their part formulated their case for special preferences in the U.S. market at the Ministerial Meeting of the Special Commission on Economic Affairs for Latin America in May 1969 (the Consensus of Vina del Mar).

4. There have also been signs that some of the Latin American countries are not willing to accept indefinitely the exclusion of Cuba from the American system. It would be worth enquiring how Mr. Bronheim would expect the Administration to react to this development.

5. I submit speaking notes.

(J.A. Robson)
American Department
11 March, 1970.

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Mr. Hankey



# Call of Mr. D. Bronheim

# Speaking Notes

- We are interested in the attitude of the Nixon Administration to Latin America. To what extent does the President's speech of 31 October represent a new departure?
- The President's speech emphasises economic affairs, and there is little reference to political change. Does this mean that the present Administration is less concerned about political evolution in Latin America than was the Kennedy Administration in the days of the Alliance for Progress?
- The President stated that he would raise the post of Assistant

  Secretary for Inter American affairs to Under Secretary level.

  Is there any real significance to this?
- The Administration seems to be anxious to meet so far as possible

  Latin American demands, formulated at <u>Viña del Mar</u> and elsewhere,

  for trade preferences in the U.S. market. Is this practical

  politics and would Congress enact the necessary legislation?
- You accompanied Governor Rockefeller on his stormy tour of Latin

  America last year. I should be interested to learn how the
  Report is affecting Administration thinking. I was struck by
  the very cautious (and almost sympathetic) line taken in the
  Report to military régimes in Latin America. Did you conclude
  that military governments, perhaps of a nationalist progressive
  type (e.g. Peru), are something we shall have to live with for
  some time?

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At the recent meeting of the Inter American Economic and Social Council at Caracas Dr. Williams, the Prime Minister of Trinidad, raised the question of a possible end to the exclusion of Cuba from the Inter American system. The Chileans and others have been making similar noises. How seriously does the State Department rate this change of sentiments, and how do you think they will react to it?

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Guest list for the Luncheon in honour of Mr. David Bronheim, Director of the Centre for Inter-American Relations, New York on Friday, 13th March, 1970 in the Knightsbridge Suite at the Hyde Park Hotel, 66 Knightsbridge, S.W.1.

Informal

12.45 for 1.00 p.m.

Host The Rt. Hon. The Lord Chalfont, PC, OBE, MC

Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs

Guest of Honour

Mr. David Bronheim

Director of the Centre for Inter-American Relations, New York

Guests

Mr. Ben Whitaker, MP

Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Overseas Development

Professor Raymond Carr

Warden of St. Antony's College, Oxford

Mr. S.M. Mackenzie, CBE, DSC

Director-General, Canning House

Mr. C.C. Lucas

H.M. Treasury

Mr. D.M. Smith

Caribbean and Latin American Department, Ministry of Overseas

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The Hon. H.A.A. Hankey, CMG, CVO Assistant Under-Secretary of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Mr. J.A. Robson

American Department, Foreign and Commonwealth Office

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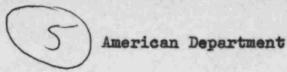
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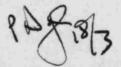
5 March, 1970.

As you know, it has now been arranged that the meeting between Mr. David Bronheim and yourself and Lord Chalfont should take place on Friday, 13 March.

Lord Chalfont will have been out of town during the days previous and will only return to London in the second half of the morning of the 13th. I am writing, therefore, to ask if you and Mr. Bronheim could call on Lord Chalfont in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office at 12.30 p.m. on the 13th for a brief talk. Afterwards Lord Chalfont and yourselves would go on to the Hyde Park Hotel where you will be joined by a few other guests for luncheon. I hope this is convenient.

(J.A. Robson)

Professor Raymond Carr, St. Antony's College,



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Mr. Brookfield

Personnel Services Dept.

Mr. David Bronheim, Director of the Centre for inter-American Relations in New York, is visiting Britain in March. Mr. Bronheim was an adviser to the Kennedy Administration on Latin American affairs, and is in good standing with the present U.S. Administration. Mr. Bronheim will be calling at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office for an exchange of views with officials, and Lord Chalfont has expressed the wish to host a small working lunch for Mr. Bronheim (to be held on Wednesday, 11 March, at the Savoy Hotel at 12.45 for 1 o'clock).

2. I hope you can agree that the cost of this lundheon could be met from the Departmental Entertainment Fund (this lunch seems to fall within the scope of DSP Vol. 22 Chapter 9(d)). I attach an application form embodying a draft guest list (but invitations should not be issued until the list has been cleared with Lord Chalfont, who may wish to propose changes). The fact that it is to be a working lunch is the justification for including a fair number of officials.

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(C.D. Wiggin)
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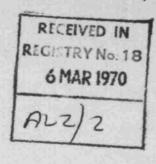
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in honour of Mr. David Bronheim Occasion, or reason for entertainment:

5. List of guests showing occupations:

> Mr. David Bronheim Director of the Centre for Inter-American Relations, New York

Professor Raymond Carr Warden, St. Antony's Coll, Oxford.

Director, Institute of Race Relations Mr. Philip Mason, CMG

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Mr. Wijgin (American Department)

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Mr. David Bronheim

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Lord Chalfont, as you know, agreed to act as host at a Working Lunch for Mr. Bronheim during his visit to this country from 9-14 March. Professor Raymond Carr has suggested two dates, Tuesday, March 10 and Wednesday, March 11 and Lord Chalfont would prefer 11 March.

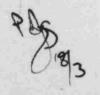
2. I should be grateful if the necessary arrangements could be made for a short talk and Working Lunch as proposed. I attach a copy of my letter of 16 January to Professor Carr.

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(M. L. Tait)
Private Secretary to Lord Chalfont
16 January, 1970

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Foreign and Commonwealth Office,

London S.W.1.

16 January, 1970.

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We shall let you have the details of the arrangements for the lunch nearer the time.

With best wishes,

(M. L. Tait)
Private Secretary to Lord Chalfont

Professor Raymond Carr St. Antony's College, Oxford.

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